



# Commercial Leverage for Lunar Exploration



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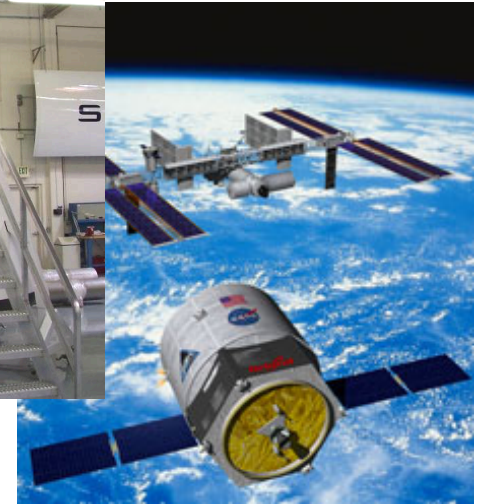
# *Fundamental Change for NASA*

## *Apollo Model*

From NASA as **the** customer funding prime contractors on a cost plus fixed fee basis



Increased  
Private Sector  
Resources



## *Commercial –(COTS/ CRS) Model*

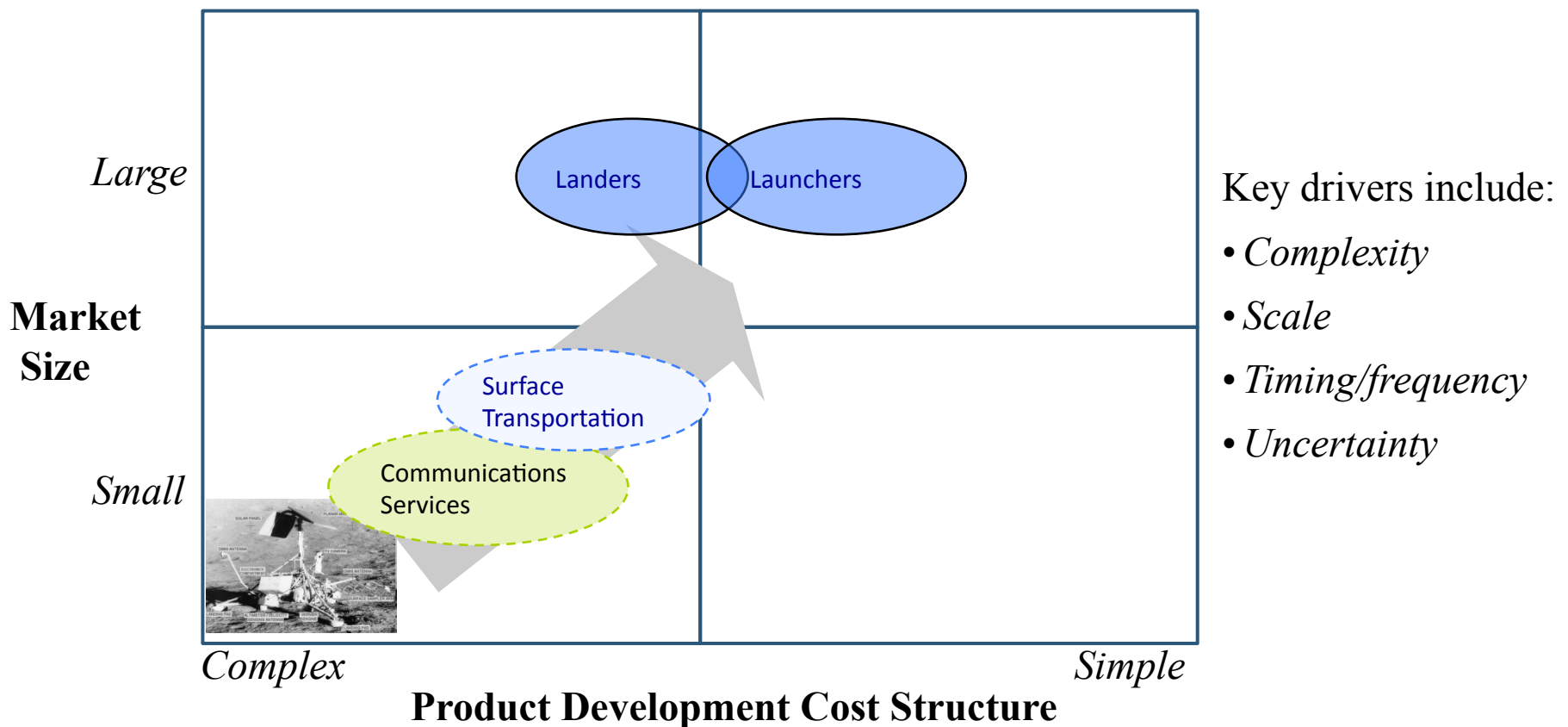
To NASA as **a** customer and partner, working with other customers, financiers, and emerging space companies on fixed price basis to secure capabilities, services and products



# ***Business Model Feasibility***

- The shift from small market, highly complex projects to manageable components with appeal to expanded markets enables greater commercial participation

- Evolution of the Discussion -

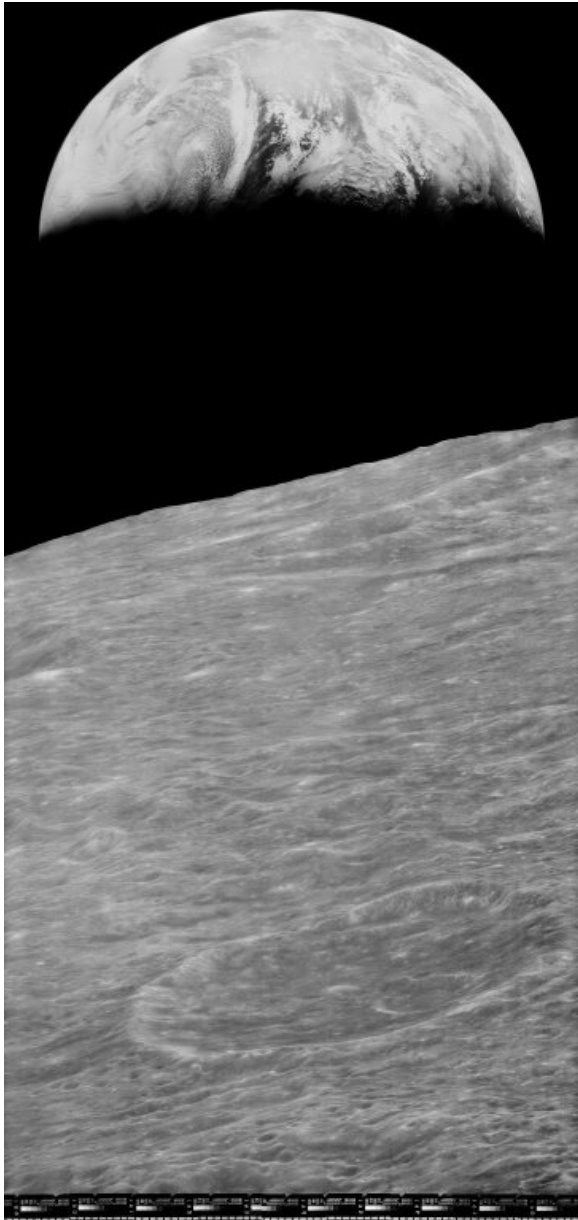






# Defining the Business Space: Beyond LEO

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## ◆ Economic sphere fairly well considered to be limited to cis-lunar

HEO	LUNAR
Satellite servicing	Lunar data/transportation
In-space propulsion	ISRU
Propellant depots	Site surveys
Inflatable structures	Site preparation
Orbital debris removal	Lunar comm/nav

## ◆ Some limited commercial services might exist past cis-lunar

- NEO: in-space propulsion, small landers





**So, how do we get the ball rolling within NASA relative to the beyond-LEO commercial opportunities?**

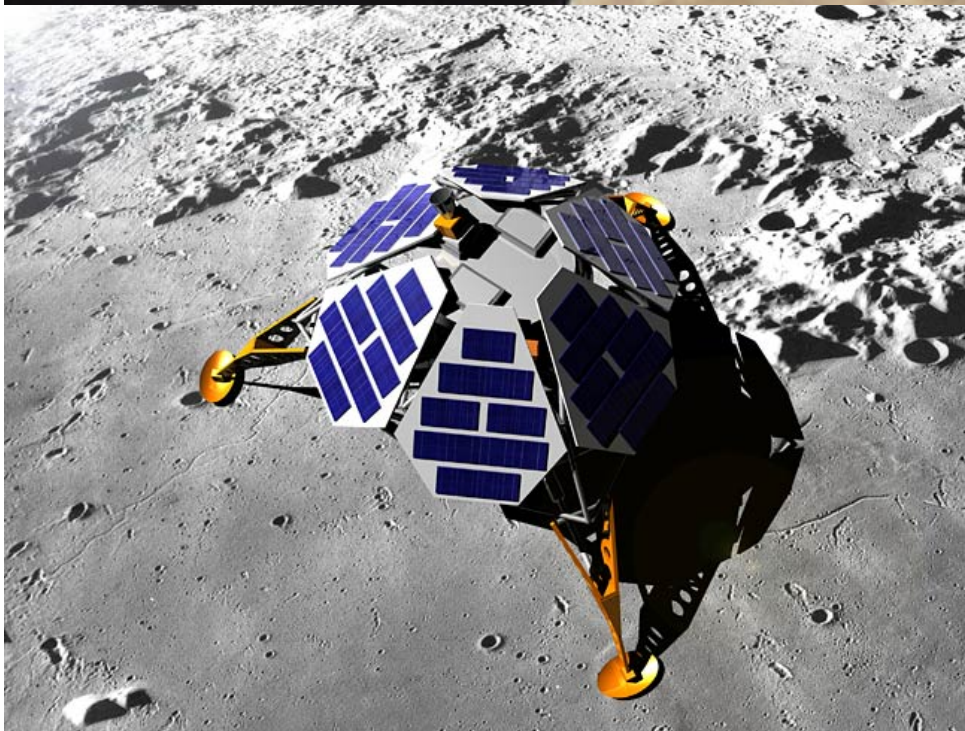


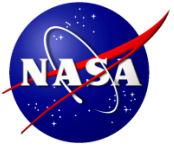


# NASA “Weighs-In”

*ILDD*

NASA SEEKS DATA FROM  
INNOVATIVE LUNAR  
DEMONSTRATIONS





# ILDD OVERVIEW

- ◆ **Data on the design and demonstration of an end-to-end lunar landing mission.**
- ◆ **This includes data associated with:**
  - hardware design,
  - development and testing;
  - ground operations and integration;
  - launch;
  - trajectory correction maneuvers;
  - lunar braking,
  - burn and landing;
  - and enhanced capabilities.





# Widest Range of Offerors

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- ◆ **BAA was a “full & open” competition**
  - inviting widest range of offerors:
    - commercial, university, foreign.
  - It was not limited to Google Lunar X-Prize.
- ◆ **NASA centers prohibited from proposing**
  - interest stems from lander data outside NASA/field centers.
- ◆ **Foreign participation allowed per the FAR supplement (1835)**
  - ...participation under a “no exchange of funds” policy.



# **ILDD BAA Business Approach**

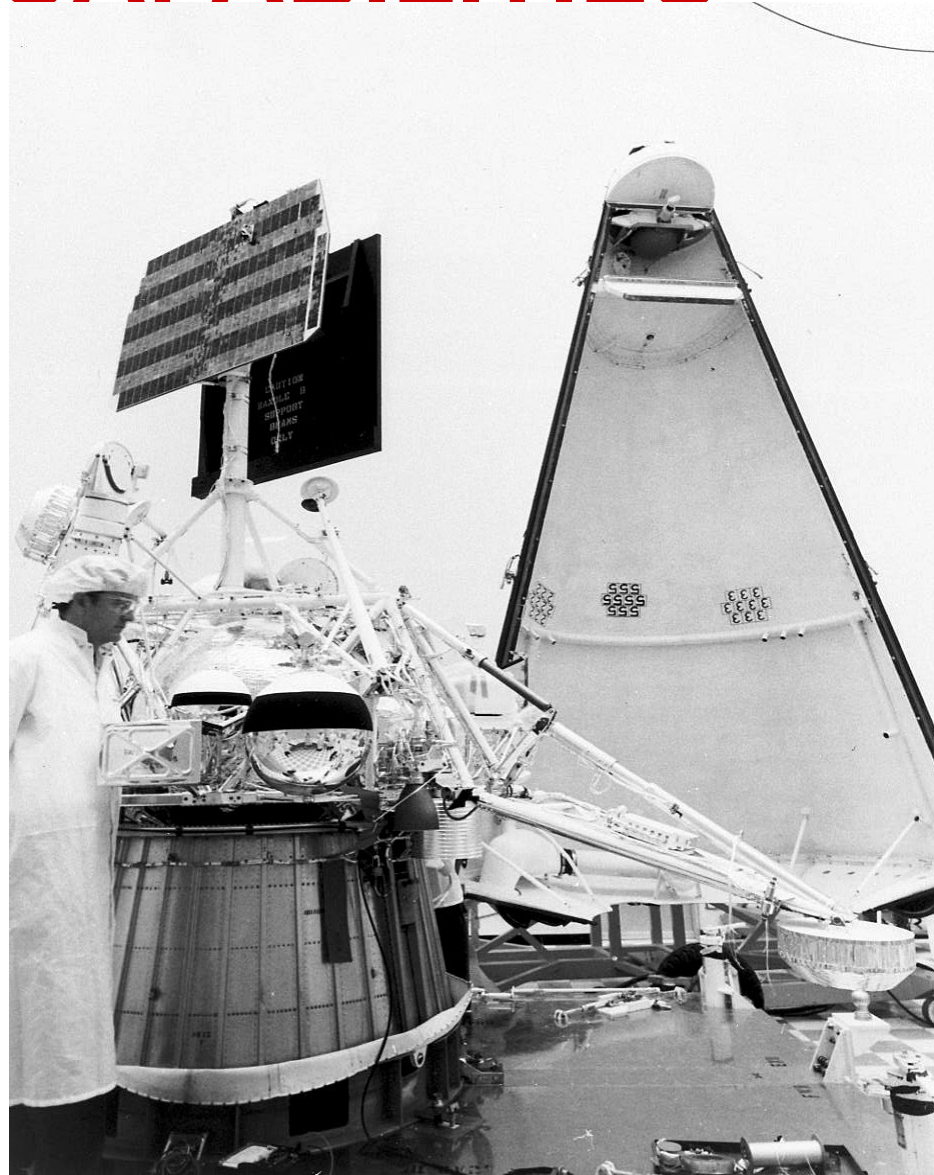
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- ◆ **Multiple small firm-fixed price, indefinite-delivery/indefinite-quantity contracts**
- ◆ **Total value up to \$30.1 million up to 5 yrs**
- ◆ **\$10 million max per company**
- ◆ **Partitioned into 4 contract phases**
  1. Critical Component Demonstration
  2. Ground Test/Mission Simulation of Flight Hardware
  3. Basic Capabilities of lunar landing mission
  4. Enhanced Capabilities



# ILDD LANDER BASIC CAPABILITIES

*1. Prelaunch  
readiness of  
the flight  
spacecraft  
systems*







# ILDD LANDER BASIC CAPABILITIES

## *2. In-Flight Activities*



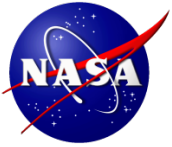


# ILDD LANDER BASIC CAPABILITIES

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## *3. Spacecraft lunar landing*





# Enhanced Lander Capabilities




## ◆ Information beneficial in risk-reduction to a human lunar lander design and capability

- landing using a human mission profile
- identification of hazards during landing
- precision landing
- imagery
- long-duration surface operations.








# ILDD Awarded Companies

ILDD	GLXP TEAM	LOGO
<b>Moon Express</b>	<b>Moon Express</b> privately funded lunar transportation and data services company in San Francisco	
<b>Earth Rise</b>	<b>Omega Envoy</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•University of Central Florida (UCF)</li><li>•Embry Riddle Aeronautical University</li></ul>	
<b>Astrobotic</b>	<b>Astrobotic</b> <i>Carnegie Mellon University, Lockheed Martin Space Systems, Aerojet</i>	



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<b>Draper</b>	<b>Next Giant Leap</b> Charles Stark Draper Laboratory (lead), Inc, Sierra Nevada Corporation, Massachusetts Institute of Technology	
<b>Dynetics</b>	<b>Rocket City Space Pioneers</b> Dynetics, Teledyne Brown Engineering, Andrews Space, Spaceflight Services, Draper	
<b>Team FredNet</b>	<b>Team FredNet</b> Open source collaboration	



# **Other Possible Commercial Lunar Services Applications**





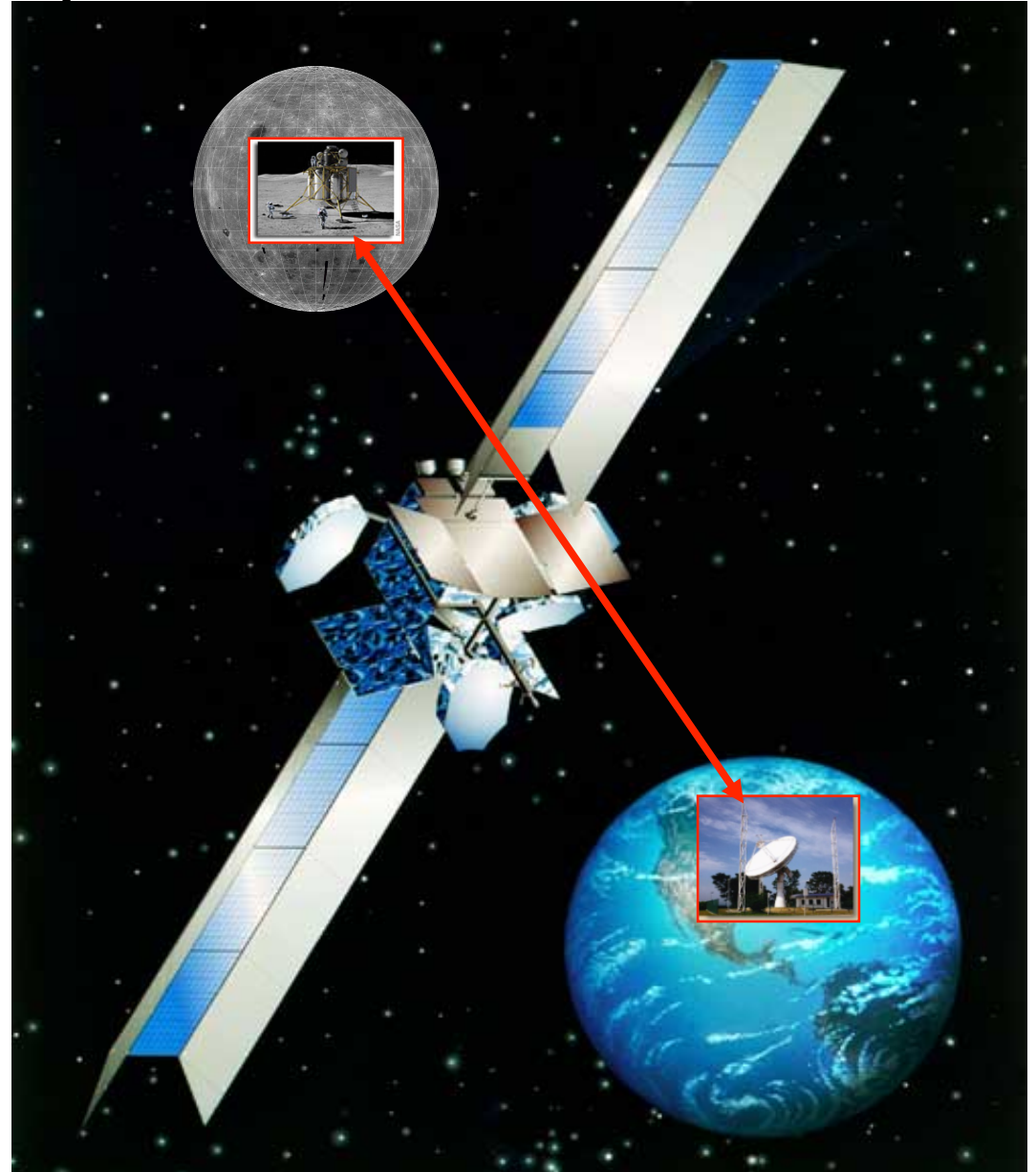
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# LUNAR COMMUNICATIONS AND NAVIGATION



# Commercial Lunar Communications & Navigation (C&N) for Lunar Research Park

- Lunar C&N is a good candidate for commercial service provider(s)
- The aggregate C&N portfolio (demand) will grow over the decades
- Early commercial C&N capability could demonstrate reliability & build confidence





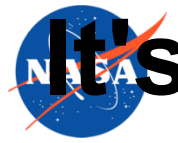
# Commercial Lunar Communications Opportunities

- **Lunar orbit**
  - **Conventional relay services, i.e., similar to Earth-orbiting**
  - **Extensions to NASA-provided “essential C&N”**
    - **More satellites – capacity, location**
    - **High rate services – especially HDTV**
    - **Secondary payloads**
    - **IP-routed services & network applications**
- **Lunar surface**
  - **WLAN & high rate services**
  - **Ties into services that ride on communications – entertainment, news, scientific support, historical recording**
- **Earth-based**
  - **Ground stations – augment / replace portions of DSN**
  - **Value-added services**
- **International collaboration – aiming for open, standards-based, commercially & internationally interoperable architecture**



# In-Situ Resource Utilization





# It's not lunacy, probes find water in moon dirt....

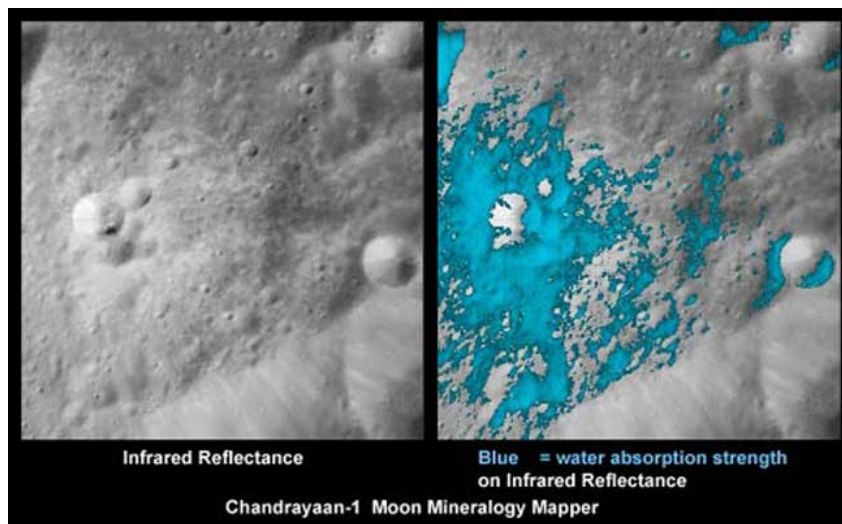
## ◆ Multiple space probes found the chemical signature of water all over the moon's surface

- *“this confirms that it's water and hydroxyl”* Pieters said

## ◆ Questions remain....

- *Where did it come from?*
- *What is the mechanism that it attaches to soil?*

## ◆ Role of ISRU in answering questions...

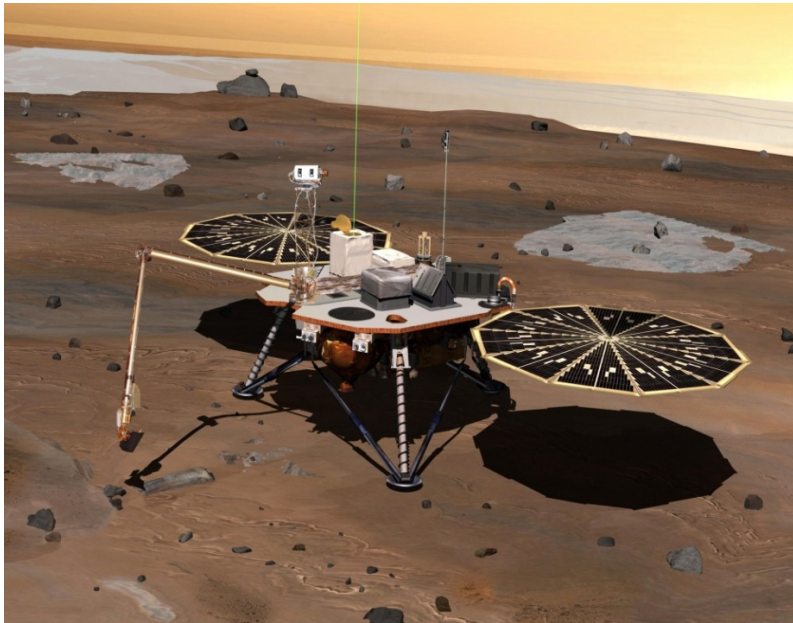




# Mini-ISRU Node and Evaluation of Regolith (MINER)

Establishing  
Ground-Truth

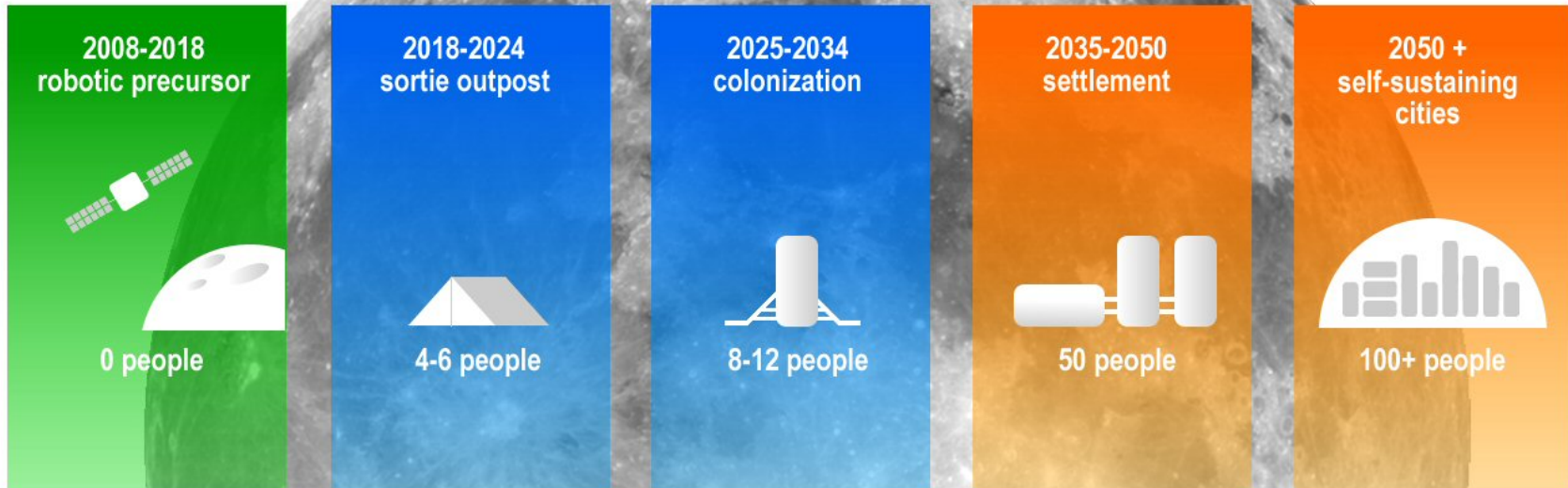
## Commercial Lunar Water



NASA & Commercial Tractor Recover Oxygen from the Lunar Regolith

# INFRASTRUCTURE

## LUNAR ENTREPRENEURIAL OPPORTUNITIES



### transportation

1. orbital habitation
2. autonomous robots
3. power storage

### facilities

4. earth based research facilities
5. life support systems technology

### power/comm/nav

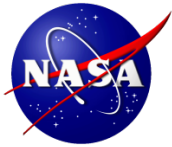
6. solar energy
7. ground stations
8. pattern recognition software

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**Backup**





# ILDD Task Descriptions

CLIN	CLIN Title	Value (\$M)
1.	Critical Component Demo	0.5
2.	Ground Test/Mission Simulation of Flight Hardware	0.6
3.	Basic Capabilities	2
3.1	Pre-launch - \$0.5M	
3.2	In-Flight Activities - \$0.5M	
3.3	Lunar Landing - \$1M	
4.	Enhanced Capabilities	6.9
4.1	Human Mission Profile Landing - \$2.5M	
4.2	Identification of Hazards During Landing - \$1M	
4.3	Precision Landing - \$1M	
4.4	Video Survey of Lander Post-Landing - \$0.4M	
4.5	Imagery of Landing Path - \$0.5M	
4.6	Participatory Exploration - \$0.5M	
4.7	Extended Duration Operations - \$1M	
TOTAL		10



## LOFT-y Goal

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- ◆ **Identify potential early “demand” for flight instrumentation for early lunar lander flights.**
- ◆ **List focuses on “orphan” flight equipment**
  - “Sunk-cost” equipment
  - Pre-existing
  - Flight spares, flight qual units, or engineering units
- ◆ **55 instruments identified**
  - 22 science
  - 33 technology